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**MESSAGE:**

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Art Unit 1764

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Atty. Docket No.572.007

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Alkhalidi  
Serial No. : 09/654,097 Examiner : N. Norton  
Filed : August 31, 2000 Group Art Unit : 1764  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUS SEPARATION  
AND REACTION USING SUPERCRITICAL FLUID

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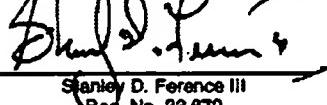
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

1.  Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.  
OR
2.  In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
3.  Small Entity status of this application has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
4.  A verified statement to establish Small Entity status is enclosed.

## CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Fax No. (703) 692-9310 on August 19, 2003.

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5.  Also enclosed: Completed Credit Card Payment Form
6.  No additional filing fee is required.
7.  The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

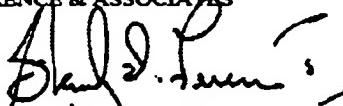
Claims Remaining After Amendment (Col. 1)	Highest No. Prev. paid for (Col. 2)	Present Extra (Col. 3)	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>		<u>OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY</u>	
			RATE	Fee	RATE	Fee
Total Claims	9	** 26	*	0	x	\$9
Ind. Claims	1	*** 3	=	0	x	\$42
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim Presented					+	\$140
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8.  Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee.
9.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$\_\_\_\_ filing fee to Deposit Account No. 15\_\_\_\_\_.
10.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this communication is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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By   
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